

WHEREAS, the Holocaust was the state-sponsored, systematic persecution and annihilation of European Jewry by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945. Jews were the primary victims - six million were murdered; and

WHEREAS, the importance of teaching today's children about this unprecedented event reminds us all of our solemn duty to keep alive the memory of the millions who perished during the Holocaust, more than one and a half million of whom were innocent children; and

WHEREAS, we the people of the Town of Davie should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny; and

WHEREAS, we the people of the Town of Davie should actively rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

WHEREAS, the Days of Remembrance have been set aside for the people of the Town of Davie to remember the inhumanity of those who perpetrated the Holocaust as well as to reflect upon our own humanity and the need for respect of all peoples; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an Act of Congress (Public Law 96-388, October 7, 1980) the United States Holocaust Memorial Council designates the Days of Remembrance of the victims of the Holocaust to be Sunday, April 7 through Sunday, April 14, 2002, including the international Day of Remembrance known as *Yom Hashoah*, April 9:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Town Council of the Town of Davie hereby proclaims the week of Sunday, April 7 through Sunday, April 14, 2002, as Days of Remembrance in memory of the victims, the survivors and their liberators and further proclaim that we, as citizens of the Town of Davie should strive to overcome intolerance and indifference through learning and remembrance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 3rd day of April, 2002.

Harry Venis, Mayor